SEOP TRAINING

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What is an SEOP?

SEOP stands for STUDENT EDUCATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PLAN. It is a time when parents and students have an individual conference with a counselor.

How Often Does a Student Have An SEOP?

Each student has an individual and small group SEOP each year.

What is the purpose of the SEOP?

The SEOP is a time to set education and career goals, plan ways to accomplish these goals, track goals and graduation requirements.

What is accomplished in the SEOP?

- > Student's accomplishments and strengths are recognized.
- > Career goals are identified.
- ➤ Tests and assessments are discussed; interest and aptitude, SAT, core tests, PLAN, ASVAB, PSAT, ACT, etc.
- > Graduation requirements and postsecondary goals are discussed.
- Plans are made to graduate early, if appropriate.
- Resources for successful implementation of career goals are planned (work, early college entrance, internships, military, concurrent enrollment, etc.)
- Four-year educational plans are developed based upon career and educational goals.
- > Classes are planned that relate to the student's career and educational goals.
- > Students are informed of the CHOICES program, E-Choices and how to use the career center.
- > Students are informed when and how to register for the ACT, PLAN, ASVAB and PSAT.
- > Students are informed how to apply for scholarships, how and when to apply for college and universities and how to apply for loans and grants.

What is the role of the teacher in the SEOP?

- ➤ Be supportive of counselors when students are called out of class for their SEOP. It takes a lot of time to meet individually with every student and their parent/guardian.
- > Realize that *Teachers*, next to parents, have the greatest influence in helping students choose a career.
- ➤ Help students know the benefits of a career in your specific field and help them know the sequence of courses that will their four-year plan in your field.
- ➤ Discuss the relevancy of your subject to careers and job/workplace skills. "This is what can my class do for you."